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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Noriyoshi MASUDA, et al.

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EXAMINER:

FOR: OLIGONUCLEOTIDES AND METHOD FOR CHARACTERIZING AND DETECTING GENOGROUP II TYPE
SMALL ROUND STRUCTURED VIRUS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

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- Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s), published application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. In accordance with the waiver of 37 CFR 1.98 dated September 21, 2004, copies of the cited pending applications are not provided. Cited published and/or issued patents, if any, are listed on the attached PTO form 1449.
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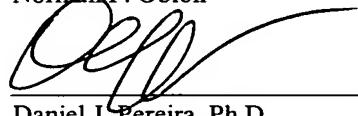
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Applicants received the attached text documents from Dr. Andrew Chin on a CD-ROM. As part of this material sent by Dr. Chinn, a text README file (attached) stating that "the CD-ROM contains an unabridged electronic version of the article on the "Preparation and Utilization of Isolated and Purified Oligonucleotides" dated March 9, 2002 and available in the Law Library of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

This electronic version includes sequences of 8-12 nucleotides in length and a G+C content of between 40 – 60%.

Applicants are not aware of any further relevant information.

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